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Report for the period Thursday, February 21 through Monday, February 25, 2008

2/21 THURSDAY

(1) LATE DECLARATION

6TH race #4 ELEGANT VICTOR

vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. William Delia)

Refunds \$ 288.00

(2) LENZINI HEARING (CASE # 06GG146)

A formal hearing was conducted for trainer Mike Lenzini who was the subject of a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board regulations after a horse in his care showed a level of TCO2 in excess of that allowed by the rules. The horse LADY WOODMAN competed in the third race at Golden Gate Fields on September 17, 2006.

Present at the hearing besides the Board of Stewards were trainer Mike Lenzini and his attorney Brian Pitnick. Representing the California Horse Racing Board was Equine Medical Director Dr. Rick Arthur along with Mary Cain- Simon and Daniel Alweiss from the Attorney General's Office. The proceedings will be transcribed by Christine Niccoli, C.S.R.

The hearing could not be concluded prior to post time for the first race and was continued until tomorrow morning.

(3) STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT- SECOND RACE – NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to review the start after #5 WARRIOR'S VOW and jockey Frank Alvarado parted company. After a thorough review the Steward's affirmed the original order of finish.

Tapes showed that WARRIOR'S VOW , trained by Steve Sherman, stumbled at the start unseating Alvarado. No other horses were involved and the starting gate stall doors opened properly. Jockey Alvarado escaped unscathed.

(4) HANDLE- ATTENDANCE

On Track Attendance	1,375
N-Cal Attendance	3,780
On Track Handle	\$ 331,466.10
N-Cal Handle	\$1,242,500.60
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$ 485,380.00</u>
Total Handle	\$3,179,086.42

2/22 FRIDAY

(1) LATE DECLARATION

7 TH race #1 J.C. PALMER	(Tr. Bill Tollett)
Stewards- Track Condition	Refunds \$ 304.00
#5 MAKING STRIDES	(Tr. Roger Hansen)
Stewards, Track Condition	Refunds \$ 40.00

(2) FIRST RACE – SUMMER HOUSE

#2 SUMMER HOUSE, trained by Terry Clyde, went wrong at the 3 ½ and was eased and dismounted by Jockey Omar Figueroa without incident. The horse suffered a catastrophic injury to the left front and was euthanized at the scene.

(3) STEWARDS INQUIRY – FIRST RACE – NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to review two incidents in the stretch, both involving the place horse #5 HOME ICE ridden by Frank Alvarado. After a thorough review, the Stewards affirmed the original order of finish.

In the first incident HOME ICE drifted in near the 3/16 bumping #2 OUR MITZY (3rd Roberto Gonzalez) who in turn put pressure on #4 GALICA (1st Russell Baze) racing along the rail. Although HOME ICE made contact with OUR MITZY the Stewards were convinced that the incident did not affect the placings.

In the second incident near the 1/16 HOME ICE drifted out and bumped GALICA. Since GALICA out finished HOME ICE no disqualification was warranted.

Jockey Frank Alvarado will view the replays of the race with the Stewards in the morning to discuss his tactics in the stretch.

(4) LENZINI HEARING – 2ND SESSION

Testimony and evidence was given and received in the hearing which failed to reach a conclusion yesterday. Once again post time for the first race encroached on the proceedings and the matter will be continued to a future date agreeable to all interested parties.

(5) LATE SCRATCH – SIXTH RACE- REFUND

#4 SEDONA SILVER, trained by Fred Costa, was scratched on the advice of Dr. Christiansen after she reported the colt flipped in the paddock. On Vet's List. The refund amounted to \$ 8,639.55

(6) ATTENDANCE – HANDLE

On Track Attendance	1,179
N-Cal Attendance	3,734
On Track Handle	\$ 337,655.50
N-Cal Handle	\$1,294,926.60
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$ 477,303.80</u>
Total Handle	\$3,092,328.81

2/23 SATURDAY

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

2nd race #1 SAN MIGUEL KING
Stewards, track condition

(Tr. Lloyd Mason)
Refunds \$ 454.96

#3 STEAMBOAT BAY Vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.	(Tr. Angelo Tekos) Refunds \$ 655.78
3 rd race #6 VALLEY CREST Vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.	(Tr. Doug Utley) Refunds \$ 731.28
4 th race # 1 HETCHEL Vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.	(Tr. Holly Evans) Refunds \$ 282.90
#4 FEISTY BABY Stewards- track condition	(Tr. Jerry Hollendorfer) Refunds \$ 564.38
#5 DRIVIN MISS BARBARA Stewards- track condition	(Tr. Cliff Delima) Refunds \$ 145.98
5 th race #8 IRISH YODELER Vet- sick Dr. Isbell D.V.M.	(Tr. Cliff Delima) Refunds \$ 520.30
7 th race #1 HEATED REBEL Stewards- track condition	(Tr. Andy Mathis) Refunds \$ 1,098.82
#3 FRIDAY NIGHT BLUES Stewards- track condition	(Tr. Cliff Delima) Refunds \$ 81.72
9 th race # 7 VALID INTENT Vet- unsound Dr. Isbell D.V.M.	(Tr. Eddie Rich) Refunds \$436.06

(2) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Frank Alvarado reviewed the tapes of yesterday's second race with the Stewards. Frank's mount was the subject of an inquiry for two incidents in the stretch. On review Alvarado was observed attempting to correct his mount's inward drift at the 3/16 and was absolved for contact with an inside rival. In late stretch Frank's horse drifted out and brushed the winner as he passed. Alvarado was given the benefit of doubt by the majority.

(3) CHRISTIENSEN CONFERENCE

The Stewards met with track Veterinarian Jessica Christiansen to review policies and procedures. This is Dr. Christiansen's first meet in California and the Stewards wanted her input concerning the first three weeks of the season. Various topics were discussed with particular attention to the examination of horses that became fractious in the starting gate.

(4) STEWARDS INQUIRY – SECOND RACE- DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to evaluate an incident in mid stretch involving #4 SOUTHERN MAN (2nd , Alex Bisono) and #7 MASTER HELMSMAN (4th, Omar Figueroa). After a thorough review the Stewards disqualified SOUTHERN MAN from second and placed him fourth behind MASTER HELMSMAN.

Tapes of the race show that SOUTHERN MAN drifted out near the 1/8 taking the path of MASTER HELMSMAN causing that horse to steady, alter course and, in the Stewards opinion, lose the opportunity at a better placing.

Original Order of Finish	6 - (4) -5 - 7
Official Order of Finish	6 - 5 - 7- (4)

(5) ATTENDANCE - HANDLE

On Track Attendance	2,160
N-Cal Attendance	5,959
On Track Handle	\$ 727,178.30
N-Cal Handle	\$2,110,720.90
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$ 784,949.30</u>
 Total Handle	 \$4,763,354.54

2/24 SUNDAY

(1) LATE DECLARATIONS

3 RD race # 1A HARRIETTE TOPPER	(Tr. Armando Lage)
Stewards- re-enter	No refund part of entry
 #2 WAGER ON NIKKI	(Tr. Bill Morey)
Stewards- track condition	Refunds \$ 408.00
 5 th race # 5 WE WILL PREVAIL	(Tr. Jim Barnes)
Stewards- track condition	Refunds \$ 367.00
 6 th race # 4 GAMBLININGRIDSGONE	(Tr. Tim Yakteen)
Stewards - track condition	Refunds \$ 216.10
 #5 A TRUE ANGEL	(Tr. Phil Oviedo)
Stewards- track condition	Refunds \$ 28.00
 7 th race # 1 OBISPO STREET	(Tr. Aggie Ordonez)
Stewards- track condition	Refunds \$ 599.60

8th race #5 ASAILORTOREMBER
Stewards- track condition

(Tr. Dennis Hopkins)
Refunds \$ 123.00

(2) CAL- BRED REPORT

Today's third race offered Three Year Old Fillies bred in California, racing six furlongs for a claiming price of \$10,000 and 5 ladies went post ward.

(3) FILM REVIEW

Jockey Alex Bisoño reviewed the tapes of yesterday's second race in which his mount was disqualified from second to fourth. Alex readily agreed he erred by letting his mount drift out and accepted the penalty imposed in the following ruling.

Ruling # 12

Jockey Alex Bisoño who rode SOUTHERN MAN in the second race at Bay Meadows Race Course on February 23, 2008 is suspended three (3) racing days (March 2, 3 & 6, 2008) for failure to make a proper effort to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference resulting in the disqualification of his mount from second to fourth. A violation of California Horse racing Board rules # 1699 (d) & (f) (Riding Rules- Careless Riding).

(4) MIYADI RULING

Ruling # 13

Trainer Steve Miyadi, who was scheduled to saddle T J'S EXPRESS in the eighth race, February 22, 2008 at Bay Meadows Race Course is hereby fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1894 (Duties of Trainer – Failure to Saddle Horse).

The above ruling was issued after Miyadi waived his right to a formal hearing. Two valets had to saddle the horse in question when Steve failed to attend to his duties in the paddock.

(5) BULLET DODGED

A horse trained by Donna Elordi and stabled at Bay Meadows came under scrutiny after exhibiting symptoms of a herpes virus. The horse was subsequently sent to the University of California at Davis for comprehensive testing. Davis confirmed that the horse tested positive for the herpes virus through a nasal swab but noted that there was no confirmation in a blood sample which ruled out the neurological variety of the virus.

The barn area has been alerted to monitor temperatures by taking every horse's temperature twice a day. Should any horse show any symptoms in conjunction with a temperature further testing will be conducted.

(6) FIFTH RACE – KOOL BUDDY

#4 KOOL BUDDY, trained by Dennis Hopkins and ridden by Macario Rodriguez went wrong at the 5/16 and was eased and dismounted at the ¼. The horse was diagnosed with a disarticulated left front ankle and euthanized at the scene. Rodriguez had some soft tissue discomfort following the incident and was removed from his mount in the sixth race.

(7) ATTENDANCE - HANDLE

On Track Attendance	2,273
N-Cal Attendance	5,649
On Track Handle	\$ 650,163.50
N-Cal Handle	\$1,924,198.70
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$ 748,226.20</u>
Total Handle	\$4,240,263.80

2/25 MONDAY

(1) EARLY DECLARATIONS

2nd race # 2 ELEGANT ICE
Vet – injured, Dr. Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. Jacob Aguilar)
Refunds \$ 167.00

#3 EVERWISE
Vet- sick, Dr. Isbell D.V.M.

(Tr. C.J. Jenda)
Refunds \$ 95.00

(2) CAL- BRED REPORT

For the five day race week one race written exclusively for horses bred in California filled and was included on the program.

(3) DIAZ RULING (CASE # 08GG043)

Ruling # 14

Owner Humberto Diaz having failed to appear before the Board of Stewards to answer a complaint alleging violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1876 (Financial Responsibility), is suspended for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1547 (Failure to Appear).

During the term of suspension, all license and license privileges of Humberto Diaz are suspended and pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule # 1528 (Jurisdiction of Stewards to Suspend or Fine) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above ruling was issued after Diaz failed to appear to address a complaint filed by Equine Sports Medicine and Surgery alleging \$351.00 due for services rendered.

(4) STEWARDS INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – SEVENTH RACE – NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign to determine the cause of a three horse spill at the 3/16. After a thorough review the Stewards affirmed the order of finish listed on the tote board.

Tapes of the race showed that #8 GO MALABAR GOLD (Adrian Perez) went wrong and fell just as the field entered the stretch. GO MALABAR GOLD was second, near the middle of the track, when the incident occurred. Two trailing horses could not avoid contact with the downed horse which caused their jockeys to lose their balance and fall off. #5 LUXURIOUS FLIGHT (Francisco Duran) and #2 SIBERIAN WINE (Alex Bisono) both tried to hurdle GO MALABAR GOLD and lost their riders in the process.

None of the jockeys suffered serious consequences because of the accident and were cleared to resume riding by Dr. Seftel. The two horses who avoided falling were also pronounced healthy but GO MALABAR GOLD suffered catastrophic injuries to the left front ankle as well as the right front pastern and was euthanized at the scene.

(5) ATTENDANCE - HANDLE

On Track Attendance	938
N-Cal Attendance	2,894
On Track Handle	\$267440.90
N-Cal Handle	\$949,296.20
<u>S Cal on N Cal</u>	<u>\$435,141.00</u>
Total Handle	\$2,619,730.08

	21-Feb	22-Feb	23-Feb	24-Feb	25-Feb	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	1	0	0	0	1	2	3
CAL-BRED RACES	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
CLAIMS	2	3	0	4	2	11	42
DISQUALIFICATIONS	0	0	1	0	0	1	4
INQUIRIES / OBJECTIONS	1	1	1	0	1	4	12
REFUNDS	1	3	10	6	2	22	42
RULINGS	0	0	0	2	1	3	14

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